- (a) of this section, the Secretary reserves the remaining funds to be allocated based on the quality of the application as determined by competitive reviews conducted by the Department using the criteria in §388.20 and the priorities in §388.22.
- (c) Prior to award, negotiations may be conducted with applicants to resolve any problems or weaknesses in the application identified by the review process.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c), 770, and 771a)

## § 388.22 What priorities does the Secretary consider in making an award?

- (a) The Secretary reserves funds to support some or all of the proposals that have been awarded a rating of 80 points or more under the criteria described in §388.20.
- (b) In making a final selection of proposals to support under this program, the Secretary considers the extent to which proposals have exceeded a rating of 80 points and address one or more of the following priorities announced in the application notice:
- (1) Development and dissemination of model in-service training materials and practices. The proposed project demonstrates an effective plan to develop and disseminate information on its State Vocational Rehabilitation In-Service Training program, including the identification of training approaches and successful practices, in order to permit the replication of these programs by other State vocational rehabilitation units.
- (2) Distance education. The proposed project demonstrates innovative strategies for training State vocational rehabilitation unit personnel through distance education methods, such as interactive audio, video, computer technologies, or existing telecommunications networks.
- (3) Enhanced employment outcomes for specific populations. The proposed project supports specialized training in the provision of vocational rehabilitation or related services to individuals with disabilities to increase the rehabilitation rate into competitive em-

ployment for all individuals or specified target groups.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c), 770, and 771a)

### Subpart D—What Conditions Must Be Met After an Award?

### § 388.30 What are the matching requirements?

- (a) The Secretary may make grants for paying part of the costs of projects under this program. Except as provided for in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, the grantee shall provide at least 10 percent of the total costs of the project.
- (b) Grantees designated in §388.21(a)(3) to receive a minimum share of one third of one percent of the sums made available for the fiscal year shall provide at least four percent of the total costs of the project.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(e), 770, and 771a)

#### § 388.31 What are the allowable costs?

In addition to those allowable costs established in 34 CFR 75.530 through 75.562 (Education Department General Administrative Regulations), the following items are allowable under State vocational rehabilitation unit in-service training projects:

- (a) Trainee per diem costs.
- (b) Trainee travel in connection with a training course.
  - (c) Trainee tuition and fees.
- (d) Telecommunications and technology fees.

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c), 770, and 771a)

# PART 389—REHABILITATION CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS

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AUTHORITY: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 774, unless otherwise noted.

SOURCE: 45 FR 86385, Dec. 30, 1980, unless otherwise noted.

#### Subpart A—General

### § 389.1 What is the Rehabilitation Continuing Education Program?

This program is designed to support training centers that serve either a Federal region or another geographical area and provide for a broad integrated sequence of training activities that focus on meeting recurrent and common training needs of employed rehabilitation personnel throughout a multi-State geographical area.

(Authority: Sec. 302 of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 774)

### § 389.2 Who is eligible for assistance under this program?

Those agencies and organizations eligible for assistance under this program are described in 34 CFR 385.2.

(Authority: Sec. 302 of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 774)

### § 389.3 What regulations apply to this program?

The following regulations apply to this program—

- (a) 34 CFR part 385 (Rehabilitation Training); and
  - (b) The regulations in this part 389.

(Authority: Sec. 302 of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 774)

### § 389.4 What definitions apply to this program?

The definitions in 34 CFR part 385 apply to this program.

(Authority: Sec. 12(c) of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 711(c))

#### Subpart B—What Kinds of Projects Does the Department of Education Assist Under This Program?

### § 389.10 What types of projects are authorized under this program?

Rehabilitation Continuing Education Programs—

- (a) Train newly employed State agency staff at the administrative, supervisory, professional, subprofessional, or clerical levels in order to develop needs skills for effective agency performance;
- (b) Provide training opportunities for experienced State agency personnel at all levels of State agency practice to upgrade their skills and to develop mastery of new program developments dealing with significant issues, priorities and legislative thrusts of the State/Federal vocational rehabilitation program; and
- (c) Develop and conduct training programs for staff of—
- (1) Private rehabilitation agencies and facilities which cooperate with State vocational rehabilitation units in providing vocational rehabilitation and other rehabilitation services;
- (2) Centers for independent living; and
  - (3) Client assistance programs.

(Authority: Sec. 302 of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 774) [45 FR 86385, Dec. 30, 1980, as amended at 50 FR 38631, Sept. 23, 1985]

#### Subpart C [Reserved]

#### Subpart D—How Does the Secretary Make a Grant?

### § 389.30 What additional selection criterion is used under this program?

In addition to the criteria in 34 CFR 385.31(c), the Secretary uses the following additional selection criterion to evaluate an application:

(a) Relevance to State-Federal rehabilitation service program. (1) The Secretary

reviews each application for information that shows that the proposed project appropriately relates to the mission of the State-Federal rehabilitation service programs.

- (2) The Secretary reviews each application for information that shows that the proposed project includes an assessment of the potential of existing programs within the geographical area (including State vocational rehabilitation unit in-service training) to meet the needs for which support is sought.
- (3) The Secretary looks for information that shows that the proposed project can be expected to improve the competence of professional and other personnel in the rehabilitation agencies serving individuals with severe disabilities.

(b) [Reserved]

(Authority: 29 U.S.C. 711(c)) [62 FR 10405, Mar. 6, 1997]

### Subpart E—What Conditions Must Be Met by a Grantee?

### §389.40 What are the matching requirements?

A grantee must contribute to the cost of a project under this program in an amount satisfactory to the Secretary. The part of the cost to be borne by the grantee is determined by the Secretary at the time of the grant award.

(Authority: Secs. 12(c) and 302 of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 774)

#### § 389.41 What are allowable costs?

In addition to those allowable costs established under EDGAR §§75.530–75.562, the following items are allowable under Rehabilitation Continuing Education programs—

- (a) Trainee per diem costs;
- (b) Trainee travel in connection with a training course;
  - (c) Trainee tuition and fees; and
- (d) Special accommodations for trainees with handicaps.

(Authority: Secs. 12(c) and 302 of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 774)

 $[45\ FR\ 86385,\ Dec.\ 30,\ 1980,\ as\ amended\ at\ 53\ FR\ 17147,\ May\ 13,\ 1988]$ 

#### PART 390—REHABILITATION SHORT-TERM TRAINING

#### Subpart A—General

Sec.

390.1 What is the Rehabilitation Short-Term Training Program?

390.2 Who is eligible for assistance under this program?

390.3 What regulations apply to this program?

390.4 What definitions apply to this program?

#### Subpart B—What Kinds of Projects Does the Department of Education Assist Under This Program?

390.10 What types of projects are authorized under this program?

#### Subpart C [Reserved]

### Subpart D—How Does the Secretary Make a Grant?

390.30 What additional selection criterion is used under this program?

### Subpart E—What Conditions Must Be Met by a Grantee?

390.40 What are the matching requirements? 390.41 What are allowable costs?

AUTHORITY: 29 U.S.C. 711(c) and 774, unless otherwise noted.

SOURCE: 45 FR 86386, Dec. 30, 1980, unless otherwise noted.

#### Subpart A—General

### § 390.1 What is the Rehabilitation Short-Term Training program?

This program is designed for the support of special seminars, institutes, workshops, and other short-term courses in technical matters relating to the vocational, medical, social, and psychological rehabilitation programs, independent living services programs, and client assistance programs.

(Authority: Secs. 12(a)(2) and 302 of the Act; 29 U.S.C. 711(a)(2) and 774)

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